

Aug. 8. 2006 1:20PM

No. 5279 P. 1
IAP7 Rec'd PCT/PTO 08 AUG 2006

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

AUG 08 2006

FAY, SHARPE, FAGAN, MINNICH & McKEE, LLP
1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE, 7th FLOOR
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44114
(216) 861-5582

DATE: August 8, 2006
TO: Commissioner for Patents
FACSIMILE NO.: 1 (571) 273-8300
ATTENTION: **MAIL STOP - MISSING PARTS**
FROM: Michael E. Hudzinski, Reg. No. 34,185
RE: U.S. Serial No. 10/537,326; International Filing Date 08 December 2003
Attorney Docket No: CTCZ 2 00079

Total number of pages (including this cover sheet): 9

Please call us immediately at (216) 861-5582 if the telecopy you receive is incomplete or illegible. Our facsimile numbers are (216) 241-1666 and (216) 241-5147.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8, I certify that this Response to Notification of Missing Requirements ... and Request for a Four-Month Extension of Time are being transmitted via facsimile to the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office Centralized facsimile number (571) 273-8300, **Mail Stop MISSING PARTS**, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.8 on the date indicated below.

<i>August 08, 2006</i>	<i>Mary M. Schriener</i>
Date	Mary M. Schriener

The documents accompanying this facsimile transmission include information from the firm of Fay, Sharpe, Fagan, Minnich & McKee, LLP that might be legally privileged and/or confidential. The information is intended for the use of only the individual or entity named on this cover sheet. If you are not the intended recipient, any disclosure, copying, or distribution of these documents, or the taking of any action based on the contents of this transmission, is prohibited. If you have received this transmission in error, these documents should be returned to this firm as soon as possible, and we ask that you notify us immediately by telephone so we can arrange for their return to us without cost to you. L:\MMSData\FORMS\FAXES\PTO.TEN

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

AUG 08 2006

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : Nile A. Lahr, et al.
FOR : ANNULAR VENTING OF TIRE TREAD
MOLDS
SERIAL NO. : 10/537,326
INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE : 08 December 2003
EXAMINER : Unknown
ART UNIT : Unknown
CONFIRMATION NO. : 1874
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : CTCZ 2 00079

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER
35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE
AND REQUEST FOR A FOUR-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

MAIL STOP PCT - DO/EO/US

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

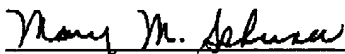
Dear Sir:

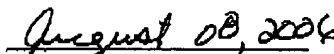
Responsive to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed 09
February 2006 on the captioned application, applicants submit the following documents:

- (1) Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application,
duly executed by the inventors named in the original filing papers; and,
(2) Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment of the Surcharge in the amount
of \$130.00 as required in the Notification.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION BY FACSIMILE

I hereby certify that this RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS... is being transmitted by facsimile to the
U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Mail Stop PTC - DO/EO/US, to Centralized Facsimile No. 1-571-273-8300 on August 8, 2006.


By: Mary M. Schriner


Date

U.S. Serial No. 10/537,326
Response to Notification of Missing Requirements ...
Mailed February 09, 2006

Page 2 of 2

The initial period for response to the outstanding Notification expired on 09 April 2006. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), petition is hereby made for a four-month extension of time, up to and including 09 August 2006, in which to respond to the Notification. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a), the extension of time fee, in the amount of \$1,590.00, is also authorized to be charged by was of the enclosed Form PTO-2038. If the credit card is unable to be charged, please charge any and all fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

A copy of the Notification is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

FAY, SHARPE, FAGAN,
MINNICH & McKEE, LLP

08 AUG 06
Date

Michael E. Hudzinski
Michael E. Hudzinski
Reg. No. 34,185
1100 Superior Avenue, 7th Floor
Cleveland, OH 44114
216-861-5582

08/11/2006 ATRAN1 00000120 10537326
01 FC:1617 130.00 OP

N:\CTCZ\200079\USIMMS0001773V001.doc

08/11/2006 ATRAN1 00000120 10537326
02 FC:1254 1590.00 OP

Aug. 8. 2006 1:22PM

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

AUG 08 2006

4250

No. 5279 P. 8 of 2

RECEIVED

FEB 13 2006



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

FAY, SHARPE, FAGAN, MINNICH & MCKEE, LLP
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22315-1450
www.uspto.gov

U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO.	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTY. DOCKET NO.
10/537,326	Nile A LAHR	CTCZ 2 00079

27885

FAY, SHARPE, FAGAN, MINNICH & MCKEE, LLP
1100 SUPERIOR AVENUE, SEVENTH FLOOR
CLEVELAND, OH 44114

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

PCT/US03/40153

I.A. FILING DATE

12/08/2003

PRIORITY DATE

12/07/2002

CONFIRMATION NO. 1874

371 FORMALITIES LETTER



OC000000017977772

Date Mailed: 02/09/2006

NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/06/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/06/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/06/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/06/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 06/06/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and International filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

Emailed to: TEN

On: 2/15/06 By: Ban T.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION,

DOCKETED

WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

FRANCINE YOUNG

Telephone: (703) 308-9140 EXT 215

PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY

U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO.	INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	ATTY. DOCKET NO.
10/537,326	PCT/US03/40153	CTCZ 2 00079

FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 (371 Formalities Notice)